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UNC Hospitals proposes revisions to surgery center project

RALEIGH – University of North Carolina Hospitals in Chapel Hill has filed an application with the Certificate of Need Section of the N.C. Division of Health Service Regulation for a cost overrun for a previously approved project at the Ambulatory Care Center.

A public hearing for this project will be held at 11 a.m. on Jan. 13 at the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Orange County Center, Carr Building-Food Lab, 306 Revere Road, Hillsborough.

The original project to add four ambulatory surgical operating rooms, pre-operative, post-operative, and post-operative recovery space, and extended recovery unit was approved at cost of \$17.2 million. The revised project cost is \$26.8 million. The original approved project proposed constructing a new surgery center. The proposed project would keep the ambulatory surgery suite in the Ambulatory Care Center

The project will result in eight operating rooms located in 130,000 square feet of renovated space supported by a pre-operative and recovery areas, diagnostic imaging and laboratory services, a rheumatology clinic, medical records, administrative offices, and staff facilities, and space for University Employee Health. The proposed project is scheduled for completion around Sept. 15, 2010.

Anyone may file written comments concerning this proposal. Comments must be received by the Certificate of Need Section no later than Dec. 31 at the following address:

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